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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, AUGUST 24, 1999

APPLICATION OF

BELL ATLANTIC-VIRGINIA, INC.

CASE NO. PUC990045

To implement Extended Local Service
from its Chatham exchange to
Sprint/Centel's Bachelors Hall exchange

FINAL ORDER

On March 18, 1999, Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc. ("BA-VA" or "the Company"), filed an application with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") pursuant to the provisions of § 56-484.2 of the Code of Virginia. BA-VA proposed to notify its Chatham exchange customers of the increases in monthly rates that would be necessary to expand their local service to include the Bachelors Hall exchange of Sprint/Centel. Customers in the Bachelors Hall exchange had previously petitioned the Commission for local calling to Chatham. In a poll conducted in response to the petition, a majority of Bachelors Hall customers responding to the poll supported paying higher rates for local calling to Chatham. A poll of Chatham customers in response to this application was not required under § 56-484.2(A) of the Code of Virginia because the proposed rate increase for one-

party residential service does not exceed five (5) percent of the existing monthly one-party residential rate.

By Order dated June 22, 1999, the Commission directed BA-VA to furnish by direct-mail notice of the proposed increase. Affected telephone customers were given until August 2, 1999, to file comments or to request a hearing on the proposal. There were five (5) comments objecting to the proposal and one (1) comment favoring the proposal. On June 30, 1999, BA-VA filed proof of notice as required by the Commission's June 22, 1999, Order.

On August 13, 1999, the Commission's Staff submitted its report regarding the Company's application. The Staff recommended that BA-VA's application to implement extended local service from its Chatham exchange to Sprint/Centel's Bachelors Hall exchange be approved. Accordingly,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) The proposed extension of local service from BA-VA's Chatham exchange to Sprint/Centel's Bachelors Hall exchange shall be implemented.

(2) The two (2) companies shall file the tariff revisions necessary for the proposed extension of local service.

(3) Since there is nothing further to come before the Commission, this case is dismissed and removed from the Commission's docket of active cases.